

No.



201400044

# THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

## Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.

Whereas, THERE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE

Secretary of Agriculture

An application requesting a certificate of protection for an alleged distinct variety of sexually reproduced, or tuber propagated plant, the name and description of which are contained in the application and exhibits, a copy of which is hereunto annexed and made a part hereof, and the various requirements of LAW in such cases made and provided have been complied with, and the title thereto is, from the records of the PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, in the applicant(s) indicated in the said copy, and Whereas, upon due examination made, the said applicant(s) is (are) adjudged to be entitled to a certificate of plant variety protection under the LAW.

Now, therefore, this certificate of plant variety protection is to grant unto the said applicant(s) and the successors, heirs or assigns of the said applicant(s) for the term of TWENTY years from the date of this grant, subject to the payment of the required fees and periodic replenishment of viable basic seed of the variety in a public repository as provided by LAW, the right to exclude others from selling the variety, or offering it for sale, or reproducing it, or importing it, or exporting it, or conditioning it for propagation, or stocking it for any of the above purposes, or using it in producing a hybrid or different variety therefrom, to the extent provided by the PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT. (84 STAT. 1542, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

CORN, FIELD

'PH1M77'



Attest:

*In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Plant Variety Protection Office to be affixed at the City of Washington, D.C. this fourteenth day of August, in the year two thousand and fifteen.*

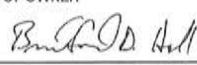
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Agricultural Marketing Service

Secretary of Agriculture



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<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</b> AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE		The following statements are made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a) and the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995.  Application is required in order to determine if a plant variety protection certificate is to be issued (7 U.S.C. 2421). Information is held confidential until certificate is issued (7 U.S.C. 2426).	
<b>APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATE</b> (Instructions and information collection burden statement on reverse)			
1. NAME OF OWNER		2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NAME	
<b>Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.</b>		<b>PH1M77</b>	
4. ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code, and Country)		5. TELEPHONE (include area code)	
<b>7100 NW 62nd Avenue</b> <b>P.O. Box 1014</b> <b>Johnston, Iowa 50131-1014 USA</b>		<b>(515) 535-<del>6975</del> 3200</b>	
		6. FAX (include area code)	
		<b>(515) 535-<del>2125</del> 4590</b>	
7. IF THE OWNER NAMED IS NOT A "PERSON", GIVE FORM OF ORGANIZATION (corporation, partnership, association, etc.)		8. IF INCORPORATED, GIVE STATE OF INCORPORATION	
<b>Corporation</b>		<b>Iowa</b>	
		9. DATE OF INCORPORATION	
		<b>March 5, 1999</b>	
10. NAME AND ADDRESS OF OWNER REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO SERVE IN THIS APPLICATION. (First person listed will receive all papers)		FILING AND EXAMINATION FEES:	
<b>Debora Phillips</b> <b>7250 NW 62nd Avenue</b> <b>PO Box 552</b> <b>Johnston, Iowa 50131-0085 USA</b>		<b>\$ 4382.00</b> <b>DATE 10/31/2013</b> <b>CERTIFICATION FEE:</b> <b>\$</b> <b>DATE</b>	
11. TELEPHONE (Include area code)		12. FAX (Include area code)	
<b>(515) 535-<del>6975</del> 3305</b>		<b>(515) 535-<del>2125</del> 6883</b>	
14. CROP KIND (Common Name)		16. FAMILY NAME (Botanical)	
<b>Corn</b>		<b>Gramineae</b>	
15. GENUS AND SPECIES NAME OF CROP		17. IS THE VARIETY A FIRST GENERATION HYBRID?	
<b>Zea mays</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	
19. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED (Follow instructions on reverse)		20. DOES THE VARIETY CONTAIN ANY TRANSGENES? (OPTIONAL)	
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit A. Origin and Breeding History of the Variety b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit B. Statement of Distinctness c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit C. Objective Description of Variety d. <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit D. Additional Description of the Variety (Optional) e. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit E. Statement of the Basis of the Owner's Ownership f. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit F. Declaration Regarding Deposit g. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Voucher Sample (3,000 viable untreated seeds or, for tuber propagated varieties, verification that tissue culture will be deposited and maintained in an approved public repository) h. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Filing and Examination Fee (\$4,382), made payable to "Treasurer of the United States" (Mail to the Plant Variety Protection Office)		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO IF SO, PLEASE GIVE THE ASSIGNED USDA-APHIS REFERENCE NUMBER FOR THE APPROVED PETITION TO DEREGULATE THE GENETICALLY MODIFIED PLANT FOR COMMERCIALIZATION.	
		21. DOES THE OWNER SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE SOLD ONLY AS A CLASS OF CERTIFIED SEED? (See Section 83(a) of the Plant Variety Protection Act)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> YES (if "yes", answer items 21 and 22 below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO (if "no", go to item 23) <input type="checkbox"/> UNDECIDED	
		22. DOES THE OWNER SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF CLASSES?	
		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO IF YES, WHICH CLASSES? <input type="checkbox"/> FOUNDATION <input type="checkbox"/> REGISTERED <input type="checkbox"/> CERTIFIED	
		23. DOES THE OWNER SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF GENERATIONS?	
		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO IF YES, SPECIFY THE NUMBER 1,2,3, etc. FOR EACH CLASS. <input type="checkbox"/> FOUNDATION <input type="checkbox"/> REGISTERED <input type="checkbox"/> CERTIFIED (If additional explanation is necessary, please use the space indicated on the reverse.)	
23. HAS THE VARIETY (INCLUDING ANY HARVESTED MATERIAL) OR A HYBRID PRODUCED FROM THIS VARIETY BEEN SOLD, DISPOSED OF, TRANSFERRED, OR USED IN THE U. S. OR OTHER COUNTRIES?		24. IS THE VARIETY OR ANY COMPONENT OF THE VARIETY PROTECTED BY INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHT (PLANT BREEDER'S RIGHT OR PATENT)?	
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO IF YES, YOU MUST PROVIDE THE DATE OF FIRST SALE, DISPOSITION, TRANSFER, OR USE FOR EACH COUNTRY AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES. (Please use space indicated on reverse.)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO IF YES, PLEASE GIVE COUNTRY, DATE OF FILING OR ISSUANCE AND ASSIGNED REFERENCE NUMBER. (Please use space indicated on reverse.)	
25. The owners declare that a viable sample of basic seed of the variety has been furnished with application and will be replenished upon request in accordance with such regulations as may be applicable, or for a tuber propagated variety a tissue culture will be deposited in a public repository and maintained for the duration of the certificate.			
The undersigned owner(s) is(are) the owner of this sexually reproduced or tuber propagated plant variety, and believe(s) that the variety is new, distinct, uniform, and stable as required in Section 42, and is entitled to protection under the provisions of Section 42 of the Plant Variety Protection Act.			
Owner(s) is (are) informed that false representation herein can jeopardize protection and result in penalties.			
SIGNATURE OF OWNER		SIGNATURE OF OWNER	
		 Digitally signed by Bradford D. Hall Date: 2013.10.30 11:55:17 -05'00'	
NAME (Please print or type)		NAME (Please print or type)	
		<b>Bradford D. Hall</b>	
CAPACITY OR TITLE		CAPACITY OR TITLE	
		<b>Sr. Research Associate</b>	
DATE		DATE	
		<b>10/30/13</b>	



**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:** To be effectively filed with the Plant Variety Protection Office (PVPO), **ALL** of the following items must be received in the PVPO: (1) Completed application form signed by the owner; (2) completed exhibits A, B, C, E, F; (3) for a tuber reproduced variety, verification that a viable (*in the sense that it will reproduce an entire plant*) tissue culture will be deposited and maintained in an approved public repository; and (4) payment by credit card or check drawn on a U.S. bank for \$4,382 (\$518 filing fee and \$3,864 examination fee), payable to "Treasurer of the United States" (See Section 97.6 of the Regulations and Rules of Practice). **NEW:** With the application for a seed reproduced variety or by direct deposit soon after filing, the applicant must provide at least 3,000 viable untreated seeds of the variety *per se*, and for a hybrid variety at least 3,000 untreated seeds of each line necessary to reproduce the variety. Partial applications will be held in the PVPO for not more than 90 days; then returned to the applicant as un-filed. Mail application and other requirements to USDA, AMS, S&T, Plant Variety Protection Office, 1400 Independence Ave., S.W., Room 4512—South Building, Mail stop 0274, Washington, DC 20250. Retain one copy for your files. All items on the face of the application are self explanatory unless noted below. Corrections on the application form and exhibits must be initialed and dated. **DO NOT** use masking materials to make corrections. If a certificate is allowed, you will be requested to send a payment by credit card or check payable to "Treasurer of the United States" in the amount of \$768 for issuance of the certificate. Certificates will be issued to owner, not licensee or agent.

**NOTES:** It is the responsibility of the applicant/owner to keep the PVPO informed of any changes of address or change of ownership or assignment or owner's representative during the life of the application/certificate. The fees for filing a change of address; owner's representative; ownership or assignment; or any modification of owner's name is specified in Section 97.175 of the regulations. (See Section 101 of the Act, and Sections 97.130, 97.131, 97.175(h) of the Regulations and Rules of Practice.)

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Homepage: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/science/pvpo/PVPIndex.htm>

#### SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS:

To avoid conflict with other variety names in use, the applicant must check the appropriate recognized authority and provide evidence that the permanent name of the application variety (even if it is a parental, inbred line) has been cleared by the appropriate recognized authority before the Certificate of Protection is issued. For example, for agricultural and vegetable crops, contact: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service, Livestock and Seed Programs, **Seed Regulatory and Testing Branch**, 801 Summit Crossing Place, Suite C, Gastonia, North Carolina 28054-2193 Telephone: (704) 810-8870. <http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/seed.htm>.

#### ITEM

- 19a. Give: (1) the genealogy, including public and commercial varieties, lines, or clones used, and the breeding method;  
(2) the details of subsequent stages of selection and multiplication;  
(3) evidence of uniformity and stability; and  
(4) the type and frequency of variants during reproduction and multiplication and state how these variants may be identified
- 19b. Give a summary of the variety's distinctness. Clearly state how this application variety may be distinguished from all other varieties in the same crop. If the new variety is most similar to one variety or a group of related varieties:
- (1) identify these varieties and state all differences objectively;
  - (2) attach replicated statistical data for characters expressed numerically and demonstrate that these are clear differences; and
  - (3) submit, if helpful, seed and plant specimens or photographs (prints) of seed and plant comparisons which clearly indicate distinctness.
- 19c. Exhibit C forms are available from the PVPO Office for most crops; specify crop kind. Fill in Exhibit C (Objective Description of Variety) form as completely as possible to describe your variety.
- 19d. Optional additional characteristics and/or photographs. Describe any additional characteristics that cannot be accurately conveyed in Exhibit C. Use comparative varieties as is necessary to reveal more accurately the characteristics that are difficult to describe, such as plant habit, plant color, disease resistance, etc.
- 19e. Section 52(5) of the Act requires applicants to furnish a statement of the basis of the applicant's ownership. An Exhibit E form is available from the PVPO.
20. If "Yes" is specified (*seed of this variety be sold by variety name only, as a class of certified seed*), the applicant **MAY NOT** reverse this affirmative decision after the variety has been sold and so labeled, the decision published, or the certificate issued. However, if "No" has been specified, the applicant may change the choice. (See Regulations and Rules of Practice, Section 97.103).
23. See Sections 41, 42, and 43 of the Act and Section 97.5 of the regulations for eligibility requirements.
24. See Section 55 of the Act for instructions on claiming the benefit of an earlier filing date.

22. CONTINUED FROM FRONT (Please provide a statement as to the limitation and sequence of generations that may be certified.)

23. CONTINUED FROM FRONT (Please provide the date of first sale, disposition, transfer, or use for each country and the circumstances, if the variety (including any harvested material) or a hybrid produced from this variety has been sold, disposed of, transferred, or used in the U.S. or other countries.)

24. CONTINUED FROM FRONT (Please give the country, date of filing or issuance, and assigned reference number, if the variety or any component of the variety is protected by intellectual property right (Plant Breeder's Right or Patent).)

USPTO 2/13/2013 Application Serial No. 61/764,062

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## CLARIFICATION OF DATA IN EXHIBITS B AND C

Please note the data presented in Exhibit B and C, "Objective Description of Variety," are collected primarily at Johnston and/or Dallas Center, Iowa. The quantitative data in Table 1 are from two sample t-tests using data collected in the locations or environments shown. Qualitative trait data are presented from environments where the data best represents the variety(ies). The traits in Exhibit B collectively show distinct differences between the two varieties.

For the given year of data collection, our experimental design was set up so entries with similar maturities were planted near each other with one replication of the new variety grown in each environmental location. The experiment procedures generally involve two or three locations/environments with different planting dates, planted in 17.42 ft., 4 row plots for each variety. Approximately 24-30 plants emerged in each of the 4 rows for a total of around 96 to 120 plants being evaluated in each environment and 192 to 360 plants across locations or environments. For plant level traits, we sampled up to 20 representative plants from the middle 2 rows of the 4 row plot (group) of plants in each location/environment. For plot level traits we evaluated the 4 row plot (group) and gave a representative score or average on the 96-120 plants in the group within an experiment.

GROWING DEGREE UNITS (GDU)				PRECIPITATION (Inches)		
2012				2012		
Month	Johnston 1	Johnston 2	Dallas Center	Johnston 1	Johnston 2	Dallas Center
April	14	-	-	0.68	-	-
May	551	319	386	4.55	2.2	0.93
June	708	708	668	3.16	3.16	1.41
July	881	881	800	4.77	4.77	0.75
August	667	667	615	3.25	3.25	2.59
September	464	464	462	1.65	1.65	1.04
<b>Totals*</b>	<b>3285</b>	<b>3039</b>	<b>2930</b>	<b>18.06</b>	<b>15.03</b>	<b>6.72</b>
* GDU and precipitation were summed from planting thru September.						
Totals include aprox. 5 inches of irrigation applied to the Johnston fields.						

Growing Degree Units use following formula:  $GDU = ((T1+T2)/2)-50$

Where T1 = minimum temperature for a given day with 50 degrees Fahrenheit as the minimum temperature used and 86 degrees Fahrenheit is the maximum temperature used.

Where T2 = maximum temperature for a given day with 86 degrees Fahrenheit as the maximum temperature used and 50 degrees Fahrenheit is the minimum temperature used.

GDUs are calculated each day and accumulated (summed) over certain number of days.

Please note: the 2012 growing season in Iowa was affected by historic drought and high temperatures. Analysis of variance between 2012 and the proceeding 14 years demonstrated that certain traits were more affected by these weather conditions than others. Ear diameter, Ear weight, Husk length and Kernel number per row showed higher than expected variance.



## Exhibit A: Origin and Breeding History for PH1M77

Pioneer variety **PH1M77**, an inbred of corn (*Zea mays L.*), was developed by Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc. from a cross made in 2004 in Woodstock, Ontario, Canada between PHEHG (PVP Certificate No. 200500258) and PHEWB (PVP Certificate No. 200700314) using the double haploid method of plant breeding. Varieties PHEHG and PHEWB are proprietary inbred lines of Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.

During line development, crosses were made to inbred testers for the purpose of estimating hybrid combining ability. Yield trials were grown at and other Pioneer research locations.

The criteria used in the selection of **PH1M77** were yield per se and yield in hybrid combination. Late season plant health, grain quality, and stalk lodging resistance were important criteria considered during selection. Other selection criteria include: ability to germinate in adverse conditions, disease and insect resistance, pollen production and tassel size.

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Variety **PH1M77** has shown uniformity and stability for generations and for all traits observed as described in Exhibit C – Objective Description of Variety.

No variants have been observed or are expected in **PH1M77**.

### Developmental History

- The initial cross PHEHG x PHEWB was made in Woodstock, Ontario, Canada in 2004.
- The F1 seed was planted at Puerto Vallarta, Mexico in 2004 and self-pollinated. The F2 seed was bulked.
- The F2 seed was planted at Woodstock, Ontario, Canada in 2005 and induced to form haploid (H1) seed. The H1 seed was bulked.
- The H1 seed was planted at Viluco, Chile in 2005 and induced to create a double haploid (D1).
- The D1 seed was planted at Woodstock, Ontario, Canada in 2006 and self-pollinated. The D2 ears were selected.
- The D2 seed was planted ear-to-row in Woodstock, Ontario, Canada in 2008 and self-pollinated. The D3 seed was bulked.
- The D3 seed was planted ear-to-row at Viluco, Chile in 2008 and self-pollinated. The D4 ears were selected.
- The D4 seed was planted ear-to-row at Woodstock, Ontario, Canada in 2009 and self-pollinated. The D5 ears were selected.
- The D5 seed was planted ear-to-row at Woodstock, Ontario, Canada in 2010 and self-pollinated. The D6 ears were selected.
- The D6 seed was planted ear-to-row at Viluco, Chile in 2011 and self-pollinated. The resulting D7 ears were selected to form the breeder seed.

## Exhibit B: Statement of Distinctness

Variety PH1M77 is most similar to Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc. proprietary inbred line PHEHG (PVP Certificate No. 200500258). Variety PH1M77 is significantly different from PHEHG in the following traits (see Table 1 and Figure 1).

### Variety PH1M77 has :

- a lesser average number of kernel rows on the ear (14.4 rows for PH1M77 vs 16.9 rows for PHEHG)
- a longer average leaf length (78.7 cm for PH1M77 vs 74.3 cm for PHEHG)
- a lesser average number of primary tassel branches (7.7 for PH1M77 vs 12.9 for PHEHG)
- no color development in the anthers ("white" Munsell 5Y8.5/2 for PH1M77 vs "light red" 7.5RP4/8 for PHEHG)

Table 1: Data supporting differences between PH1M77 and PHEHG. The varieties were grown in two locations having different planting dates and growing environments. A two-sample t-test was used to compare differences between means.

### number of kernel rows on the ear (rows)

Year	Location	VARIETY-1	VARIETY-2	Count-1	Count-2	Mean-1	Mean-2	Diff	Stdev-1	Stdev-2	SEdiff	t-value	prob
2012	JH1	PH1M77	PHEHG	20	20	14.6	17.1	-2.6	1.70	2.10	0.42	-4.22	0.000
2012	JH2	PH1M77	PHEHG	19	20	14.2	16.6	-2.4	1.13	1.31	0.28	-6.07	0.000

### leaf length (cm)

Year	Location	VARIETY-1	VARIETY-2	Count-1	Count-2	Mean-1	Mean-2	Diff	Stdev-1	Stdev-2	SEdiff	t-value	prob
2012	JH1	PH1M77	PHEHG	20	20	78.4	73.6	4.8	1.98	3.93	0.66	4.93	0.000
2012	JH2	PH1M77	PHEHG	20	20	78.9	74.9	4.0	3.36	2.13	0.61	4.49	0.000

### primary tassel branch number (branches)

Year	Location	VARIETY-1	VARIETY-2	Count-1	Count-2	Mean-1	Mean-2	Diff	Stdev-1	Stdev-2	SEdiff	t-value	prob
2012	JH1	PH1M77	PHEHG	20	20	6.5	11.7	-5.2	1.67	1.95	0.41	-9.05	0.000
2012	JH2	PH1M77	PHEHG	20	20	9.0	14.2	-5.2	3.89	2.13	0.67	-5.19	0.000

Figure 1: Data supporting differences between PH1M77 and PHEHG. The varieties were grown in two locations having different planting dates and growing environments.



PH1M77 "white" anther color



PHEHG "light red" anther color



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AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE  
BELTSVILLE, MD 20705**

Exhibit C

**OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY  
Corn (Zea mays L.)**

NAME OF APPLICANT (S) <b>Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.</b>	TEMPORARY OR EXPERIMENTAL DESIGNATION	VARIETY NAME <b>PH1M77</b>
ADDRESS (Street and No. or RD No., City, State, Zip Code, and Country) <b><del>7301 NW 62nd Avenue</del> 7100 NW 62nd Avenue</b>		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY <b>201400044</b>
<b>Johnston</b>	<b>Iowa</b> <b>50131-0005</b> <b>USA</b>	

In the spaces on the left, enter the appropriate numbers that describe the characteristics of the application variety. On the right, enter the appropriate numbers that describe the characteristics of the most similar comparison variety. Right justify whole numbers by adding leading zeros if necessary. The variety that you choose for comparison should be the most similar one in terms of overall morphology, background and maturity. The comparison variety should be grown in field trials with the application variety for 2-3 location/years (environments) in the region and season of best adaptability. At least one year of trials should be conducted within the United States of America. In general, measurements of quantitative traits should be taken from one trial on 15-25 randomly selected plants or plant parts to obtain averages and statistics that describe a typical field of the variety. (Form technical content last updated Dec. 1992.)

**COLOR CHOICES** (Use in conjunction with Munsell color code to describe all color choices: describe #25 and #26 in Comments section):

01 = Light Green	06 = Pale Yellow	11 = Pink	16 = Pale Purple	21 = Buff
02 = Medium Green	07 = Yellow	12 = Light Red	17 = Purple	22 = Tan
03 = Dark Green	08 = Yellow-Orange	13 = Cherry Red	18 = Colorless	23 = Brown
04 = Very Dark Green	09 = Salmon	14 = Red	19 = White	24 = Bronze
05 = Green-Yellow	10 = Pink-Orange	15 = Red & White	20 = White Capped	25 = Variegated (Describe)
				26 = Other (Describe)

**STANDARD INBRED CHOICES** (Use the most similar (in background and maturity) of these to make comparisons based on grow-out trial data):

<b>Yellow Dent Families:</b>	<b>Yellow Dent (Unrelated):</b>	<b>Sweet Corn:</b>
Family Members	Co109, ND246	C13, Iowa5125, P39, 2132
B14 CM105, A632, B64, B68	Oh7, T232	
B37 B37, B76, H84	W117, W153R	<b>Popcorn:</b>
B73 N192, A679, B73, NC268	W182BN	SG1533, 4722, HP301, HP7211
C103 Mo17, Va102, Va35, A682		
Oh43 A619, MS71, H99, Va26	<b>White Dent:</b>	<b>Pipecorn:</b>
Wf9 W64A, A554, A654, Pa91	CI66, H105, Ky228	Mo15W, Mo16W, Mo24W

<b>1. TYPE:</b> (Describe intermediate types in Comments section) 1 = Sweet 2 = Dent 3 = Flint 4 = Flour 5 = Pop 6 = Ornamental 7 = Pipecorn 8 = Other (specify) <u>DENT</u>	Standard Inbred Name: <u>A554</u> Type: <u>2</u>
<b>2. REGION WHERE DEVELOPED IN THE U.S.A.:</b> 1 = Northwest 2 = North central 3 = Northeast 4 = Southeast 5 = South central 6 = Southwest 7 = Other <u>        </u>	Standard Seed Source: <u>PI 587138</u> Region Where Developed: <u>        </u>
Application Variety Data	Standard Inbred Data

Application Variety Data				Standard Inbred Data			
<b>3. MATURITY</b> (In Region Best Adaptability: show Heat Unit Formula in Comments section):							
DAYS	HEAT UNITS			DAYS	HEAT UNITS		
54	1104.0	From emergence to 50% of plants in silk		53	1076.0	50% Silk	
54	1104.0	From emergence to 50% of plants in pollen		53	1076.0	50% Pollen	
4	119.0	From 10% to 90% pollen shed		2	62.0	Pollen Shed Period	
		From 50% silk to optimum edible quality				50% Edible	
		From 50% silk to harvest at 25% moisture				Dry Down Period	
<b>4. PLANT:</b>				<b>Mean</b>			
		Standard Deviation	Sample Size			Standard Deviation	Sample Size
176.8	cm Plant Height (to tassel tip)	9.36	20	165.9	cm Plant Height	7.72	20
60.4	cm Ear Height (to base of top ear node)	7.88	20	57.9	cm Ear Height	7.99	20
12.2	cm Length of Top Ear Internode	1.23	20	11.3	cm Internode	1.53	20
0.0	Average Number of Tillers	0.00	20	0.0	No. Tillers	0.00	20
1.3	Average Number of Ears per Stalk	0.47	20	1.1	No. Ears/Stalk	0.45	20
2	Anthocyanin of Brace Roots: 1 = Absent 2 = Faint 3 = Moderate 4 = Dark			2	Brace Root Anthocyanin		
<b>5. LEAF:</b>				<b>Mean</b>			
		Standard Deviation	Sample Size			Standard Deviation	Sample Size
7.3	cm Width of Ear Node Leaf	0.47	20	7.8	cm Leaf Width	0.64	20
78.4	cm Length of Ear Node Leaf	1.98	20	62.3	cm Leaf Length	4.61	20
4.6	Number of leaves above top ear	0.51	20	5.3	No. Top Leaves	0.47	20
23.9	degrees Leaf Angle (measure from 2nd leaf above ear at anthesis to stalk above leaf)	3.01	20	37.0	Leaf Angle	5.84	20
4	Leaf Color (Munsell Code)	5GY3/4		3	Leaf Color (Munsell Code)	5GY4/6	
2	Leaf Sheath Pubescence (Rate on scale from 1 = none to 9 = like peach fuzz)			4	Leaf Sheath Pubescence		
	Marginal Waves (Rate on scale from 1 = none to 9 = many)				Marginal Waves		
	Longitudinal Creases (Rate on scale from 1 = none to 9 = many)				Longitudinal Creases		
<b>6. TASSEL:</b>				<b>Mean</b>			
		Standard Deviation	Sample Size			Standard Deviation	Sample Size
6.5	Number of Primary Lateral Branches	1.67	20	8.6	No. Tassel Branches	1.39	20
17.8	Branch Angle from Central Spike	12.82	20	33.3	Branch Angle	7.30	20
46.8	cm Tassel Length (From top leaf collar to tassel tip)	4.06	20	34.5	cm Tassel Length	2.93	20
8	Pollen Shed (Rate on Scale from 0 = male sterile to 9 = heavy shed)			9	Pollen Shed Rate		
19	Anther Color (Munsell Code)	5Y8.5/2		5	Anther Color (Munsell Code)	5Y8/8	
1	Glume Color (Munsell Code)	5GY7/6		14	Glume Color (Munsell Code)	10RP3/10	
1	Bar Glumes (Glume Bands): 1 = Absent 2 = Present			1	Bar Glumes		
Application Variety Data				Standard Inbred Data			

Note: Use chart on first page to choose color codes for color traits.



Application Variety Data				Standard Inbred Data			
<b>7a. EAR (Unhusked Data):</b>							
<u>6</u>	Silk Color (3 days after emergence) (Munsell code)	<u>10Y9/6</u>		<u>1</u>	Silk Color (Munsell code)	<u>2.5GY8/6</u>	
<u>2</u>	Fresh Husk Color (25 days after 50% silking) (Munsell code)	<u>2.5GY6/6</u>		<u>1</u>	Fresh Husk Color (Munsell code)	<u>5GY7/6</u>	
<u>19</u>	Dry Husk Color (65 days after 50% silking) (Munsell code)	<u>2.5Y9/2</u>		<u>19</u>	Dry Husk Color (Munsell code)	<u>2.5Y9/2</u>	
<u>1</u>	Position of Ear at Dry Husk Stage: 1 = Upright 2 = Horizontal 3 = Pendent			<u>1</u>	Ear Position		
<u>1</u>	Husk Tightness (Rate on scale from 1 = very loose to 9 = very tight)			<u>8</u>	Husk Tightness		
<u>2</u>	Husk Extension (at harvest): 1 = Short (ears exposed) 2 = Medium (<8 cm) 3 = Long (8-10 cm beyond ear tip) 4 = Very Long (>10 cm)			<u>2</u>	Husk Extension		
<b>7b. EAR (Husked Ear Data):</b>				<b>Mean</b>			
		<b>Standard Deviation</b>	<b>Sample Size</b>			<b>Standard Deviation</b>	<b>Sample Size</b>
<u>12.2</u>	cm Ear Length	<u>0.80</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>10.0</u>	cm Ear Length	<u>0.94</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>39.2</u>	mm Ear Diameter at mid-point	<u>1.79</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>39.8</u>	mm Ear Diameter	<u>2.05</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>78.0</u>	gm Ear Weight	<u>11.41</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>67.9</u>	gm Ear Weight	<u>12.84</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>14.6</u>	Number of Kernel Rows	<u>1.70</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>14.1</u>	No. Kernel Rows	<u>1.05</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>2</u>	Kernel Rows: 1 = Indistinct 2 = Distinct			<u>2</u>	Kernel Rows		
<u>1</u>	Row Alignment: 1 = Straight 2 = Slightly Curved 3 = Spiral			<u>2</u>	Row Alignment		
<u>9.0</u>	cm Shank Length	<u>1.99</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>6.7</u>	cm Shank Length	<u>1.41</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>1</u>	Ear Taper: 1 = Slight 2 = Average 3 = Extreme			<u>2</u>	Ear Taper		
<b>8. KERNEL (Dried):</b>				<b>Mean</b>			
		<b>Standard Deviation</b>	<b>Sample Size</b>			<b>Standard Deviation</b>	<b>Sample Size</b>
<u>9.8</u>	mm Kernel Length	<u>0.36</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>9.8</u>	mm Kernel Length	<u>0.65</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>8.2</u>	mm Kernel Width	<u>0.52</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>8.0</u>	mm Kernel Width	<u>0.38</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>5.0</u>	mm Kernel Thickness	<u>0.42</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>4.2</u>	mm Kernel Thickness	<u>0.38</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>45.8</u>	% Round Kernels (Shape Grade)		<u>1**</u>	<u>25.5</u>	% Round Kernels		<u>1**</u>
<u>1</u>	Aleurone Color Pattern: 1=Homozygous 2=Segregating (Describe) _____			<u>1</u>	Aleurone Color Pattern (Describe) _____		
<u>7</u>	Aleurone Color (Munsell code)	<u>10YR7/12</u>		<u>7</u>	Aleurone Color (Munsell code)	<u>10YR6/12</u>	
<u>7</u>	Hard Endosperm Color (Munsell code)	<u>10YR6/12</u>		<u>7</u>	Endosperm Color (Munsell code)	<u>10YR7/14</u>	
<u>3</u>	Endosperm Type: 1 = Sweet (su1) 2 = Extra Sweet (sh2) 3 = Normal Starch 4 = High Amylose Starch 5 = Waxy Starch 6 = High Protein 7 = High Lysine 8 = Super Sweet (se) 9 = High Oil 10 = Other _____			<u>3</u>	Endosperm Type _____		
<u>23.2</u>	gm Weight per 100 Kernels (unsized sample)		<u>1**</u>	<u>19.3</u>	gm Kernel Wt.		<u>1**</u>
<b>9. COB:</b>				<b>Mean</b>			
		<b>Standard Deviation</b>	<b>Sample Size</b>			<b>Standard Deviation</b>	<b>Sample Size</b>
<u>25.4</u>	mm Cob Diameter at mid-point	<u>1.06</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>24.1</u>	mm Cob Diameter	<u>1.41</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>10</u>	Cob Color (Munsell code)	<u>2.5YR4/8</u>		<u>14</u>	Cob Color (Munsell code)	<u>10R3/8</u>	
Application Variety Data				Standard Inbred Data			

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<p><b>10. DISEASE RESISTANCE</b> (Rate from 1 (most susceptible) to 9 (most resistant); leave blank if not tested; leave Race or Strain Options blank if polygenic):</p>	
<p><b>A. Leaf Blights, Wilts, and Local Infection Diseases</b></p>	
<p>___ Anthracnose Leaf Blight (<i>Colletotrichum graminicola</i>)</p> <p>___ Common Rust (<i>Puccinia sorghi</i>)</p> <p>___ Common Smut (<i>Ustilago maydis</i>)</p> <p>___ Eyespot (<i>Kabatiella zeae</i>)</p> <p>___ Goss's Wilt (<i>Clavibacter michiganense</i> spp. <i>nebraskense</i>)</p> <p>___ Gray Leaf Spot (<i>Cercospora zeae-maydis</i>)</p> <p>___ Helminthosporium Leaf Spot (<i>Bipolaris zeicola</i>)      Race _____</p> <p><u>5</u> Northern Leaf Blight (<i>Exserohilum turcicum</i>)      Race _____</p> <p>___ Southern Leaf Blight (<i>Bipolaris maydis</i>)      Race _____</p> <p>___ Southern Rust (<i>Puccinia polysora</i>)</p> <p>___ Stewart's Wilt (<i>Erwinia stewartii</i>)</p> <p>___ Other (Specify) _____</p>	<p>___ Anthracnose Leaf Blight</p> <p>___ Common Rust</p> <p>___ Common Smut</p> <p>___ Eyespot</p> <p>___ Goss's Wilt</p> <p>___ Gray Leaf Spot</p> <p>___ Helminthosporium Leaf Spot      Race _____</p> <p><u>2</u> Northern Leaf Blight      Race _____</p> <p>___ Southern Leaf Blight      Race _____</p> <p>___ Southern Rust</p> <p>___ Stewart's Wilt</p> <p>___ Other (Specify) _____</p>
<p><b>B. Systemic Diseases</b></p>	
<p>___ Corn Lethal Necrosis (MCMV and MDMV)</p> <p>___ Head Smut (<i>Sphacelotheca reiliana</i>)</p> <p>___ Maize Chlorotic Dwarf Virus (MCDV)</p> <p>___ Maize Chlorotic Mottle Virus (MCMV)</p> <p>___ Maize Dwarf Mosaic Virus (MDMV)      Strain _____</p> <p>___ Sorghum Downy Mildew of Corn (<i>Peronosclerospora sorghi</i>)</p> <p>___ Other (Specify) _____</p>	<p>___ Corn Lethal Necrosis</p> <p>___ Head Smut</p> <p>___ Maize Chlorotic Dwarf Virus</p> <p>___ Maize Chlorotic Mottle Virus</p> <p>___ Maize Dwarf Mosaic Virus      Strain _____</p> <p>___ Sorghum Downy Mildew of Corn</p> <p>___ Other (Specify) _____</p>
<p><b>C. Stalk Rots</b></p>	
<p>___ Anthracnose Stalk Rot (<i>Colletotrichum graminicola</i>)</p> <p>___ Diplodia Stalk Rot (<i>Stenocarpella maydis</i>)</p> <p>___ Fusarium Stalk Rot (<i>Fusarium moniliforme</i>)</p> <p>___ Gibberella Stalk Rot (<i>Gibberella zeae</i>)</p> <p>___ Other (Specify) _____</p>	<p>___ Anthracnose Stalk Rot</p> <p>___ Diplodia Stalk Rot</p> <p>___ Fusarium Stalk Rot</p> <p>___ Gibberella Stalk Rot</p> <p>___ Other (Specify) _____</p>
<p><b>D. Ear and Kernel Rots</b></p>	
<p>___ Aspergillus Ear and Kernel Rot (<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>)</p> <p>___ Diplodia Ear Rot (<i>Stenocarpella maydis</i>)</p> <p>___ Fusarium Ear and Kernel Rot (<i>Fusarium moniliforme</i>)</p> <p><u>5</u> Gibberella Ear Rot (<i>Gibberella zeae</i>)</p> <p>___ Other (Specify) _____</p>	<p>___ Aspergillus Ear and Kernel Rot</p> <p>___ Diplodia Ear Rot</p> <p>___ Fusarium Ear and Kernel Rot</p> <p><u>5</u> Gibberella Ear Rot</p> <p>___ Other (Specify) _____</p>
<p><b>11. INSECT RESISTANCE</b> (Rate from 1 (most susceptible) to 9 (most resistant); Leave blank if not tested):</p>	
Standard Deviation    Sample Size	Standard Deviation    Sample Size
<p>___ Banks Grass Mite (<i>Oligonychus pratensis</i>)</p> <p>Corn Earworm (<i>Helicoverpa zea</i>)</p> <p>___ Leaf-Feeding</p> <p>___ Silk Feeding: _____ mg larval wt.      _____</p> <p>___ Ear Damage</p> <p>___ Corn Leaf Aphid (<i>Rhopalosiphum maidis</i>)</p> <p>___ Corn Sap Beetle (<i>Carpophilus dimidiatus</i>)</p> <p>European Corn Borer (<i>Ostrinia nubilalis</i>)</p> <p>___ 1st Generation (Typically Whorl Leaf Feeding)</p> <p>___ 2nd Generation (Typically Leaf Sheath-Collar Feeding)</p> <p>Stalk Tunneling:</p> <p>___ cm tunneled/plant      _____</p> <p>Fall Armyworm (<i>Spodoptera frugiperda</i>)</p> <p>___ Leaf-Feeding</p> <p>___ Silk Feeding: _____ mg larval wt.      _____</p>	<p>___ Banks Grass Mite</p> <p>Corn Earworm</p> <p>___ Leaf-Feeding</p> <p>___ Silk Feeding: _____      _____</p> <p>___ Ear Damage</p> <p>___ Corn Leaf Aphid</p> <p>___ Corn Sap Beetle</p> <p>European Corn Borer</p> <p>___ 1st Generation</p> <p>___ 2nd Generation</p> <p>Stalk Tunneling:</p> <p>___ cm tunneled/plant      _____</p> <p>Fall Armyworm</p> <p>___ Leaf-Feeding</p> <p>___ Silk Feeding: _____ mg larval wt.      _____</p>
Application Variety Data	Standard Inbred Data



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<b>11. INSECT RESISTANCE (continued):</b> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <div>_____ Maize Weevil (<i>Sitophilus zeamais</i>)</div> <div>_____ Northern Rootworm (<i>Diabrotica barberi</i>)</div> <div>_____ Southern Rootworm (<i>Diabrotica undecimpunctata</i>)</div> <div>Southwestern Corn Borer (<i>Diatraea grandiosella</i>)</div> <div>_____ Leaf-Feeding</div> <div>_____ Stalk Tunneling: _____ cm tunneled/plant _____</div> <div>_____ Two-spotted Spider Mite (<i>Tetranychus urticae</i>)</div> <div>_____ Western Rootworm (<i>Diabrotica virgifera virgifera</i>)</div> <div>_____ Other (Specify) _____</div> </div> <div> <div>_____ Maize Weevil</div> <div>_____ Northern Rootworm</div> <div>_____ Southern Rootworm</div> <div>Southwestern Corn Borer</div> <div>_____ Leaf-Feeding</div> <div>_____ Stalk Tunneling _____</div> <div>_____ Two-spotted Spider Mite</div> <div>_____ Western Rootworm</div> <div>_____ Other (Specify) _____</div> </div> </div>			
<b>12. AGRONOMIC TRAITS:</b> <div>_____ Stay Green (at 65 days after anthesis) (Rate on a scale of 1 = worst to 9 = excellent)</div> <div>_____ % Dropped Ears (at 65 days after anthesis)</div> <div>_____ % Pre-anthesis Brittle Snapping</div> <div>_____ % Pre-anthesis Root Lodging</div> <div>_____ % Post-anthesis Root Lodging (at 65 days after anthesis)</div> <div>_____ Kg/ha Yield of Inbred Per Se (at 12-13% grain moisture)</div>		<div>_____ Stay Green</div> <div>_____ % Dropped ears</div> <div>_____ % Pre-anthesis Brittle Snapping</div> <div>_____ % Pre-anthesis Root Lodging</div> <div>_____ % Post-anthesis Root Lodging</div> <div>_____ Yield</div>	

**13. MOLECULAR MARKERS:** (0 = data unavailable; 1 = data available but not supplied; 2 = data supplied)

\_\_\_\_\_ Isozymes    \_\_\_\_\_ RFLP's    \_\_\_\_\_ RAPD's    1 Other (Specify)    \_\_\_\_\_ SNPs

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**COMMENTS:** (e.g., state how heat units were calculated, standard inbred seed source, and/or where data was collected. Continue in Exhibit D.)

\*\* For these plot-level traits, kernels from approximately 5 representative ears were sampled. 100 unsized kernels were counted and weighed. Up to 500 grams of kernels were sized by a 13/64 inch slot screen.

Insect, disease, brittle snapping, yield and root lodging data are collected mainly from environments where variability for the trait can be obtained within the experiment.

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1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S) <b>Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.</b>	2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NUMBER	3. VARIETY NAME <b>PH1M77</b>
4. ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP, and Country) <b>7100 NW 62nd Avenue P. O. Box 1014 Johnston, Iowa 50131-1014 USA</b>	5. TELEPHONE (Include area code) <b>(515) 535-<del>6975</del> 3200</b>	6. FAX (Include area code) <b>(515) 535-<del>2125</del> 4590</b>
7. PVPO NUMBER <b>201400044</b>		

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EXHIBIT F  
DECLARATION REGARDING DEPOSIT

NAME OF OWNER (S)  Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.	ADDRESS (Street and No. or RD No., City, State, and Zip Code and Country)  7100 NW 62nd Avenue P. O. Box 1014 Johnston, Iowa 50131-1014 USA	TEMPORARY OR EXPERIMENTAL DESIGNATION  VARIETY NAME  PH1M77
NAME OF OWNER REPRESENTATIVE(S)  Bradford D. Hall	ADDRESS (Street and No. or RD No., City, State, and Zip Code and Country)  Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc. 7301 NW 62nd Avenue PO Box 85 Johnston, Iowa 50131-0085 USA	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER  201400044

I do hereby declare that during the life of the certificate a viable sample of propagating material of the subject variety will be deposited, and replenished as needed periodically, in a public repository in the United States in accordance with the regulations established by the Plant Variety Protection Office.



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